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**DECLARATION OF APPLICANT'S COUNSEL IN  
SUPPORT OF MOTION FOR ONE-MONTH  
TIME EXTENSION TO REQUEST ORAL HEARING**

I, Charles N. Quinn, hereby declare that I am a citizen of the United States, a resident in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, residing at 419 Bowen Drive, Exton, Pennsylvania, 19341, a partner in the Philadelphia law firm of Fox Rothschild LLP, admitted to practice before the Bar of the Supreme Court of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania pursuant to registration number 17,603, admitted to practice in patent matters before the United States Patent and Trademark Office pursuant to registration 27,223 and am the attorney of record on the above-referenced pending United States patent application.

This declaration is submitted in support of a motion for a one-month extension of time to submit a possible request for an oral hearing in the appeal involving the above-referenced patent application.

The additional time is needed in order to evaluate the examiner's answer, prepare a suitable and comprehensive reply brief and to communicate fully with the applicants and their counsel, all of whom are located in the United Kingdom, respecting the strategy and tactics in this appeal. I have not had sufficient time to date due to time commitments I have had to make in connection with the care of and transfer of my mother-in-law, Mrs. Arlene Erickson, who is elderly and somewhat disabled, in moving to a facility where she will receive care on a 24-hour basis. This activity has taken a good bit of my time recently and has had a serious impact on my practice. As a result, I have not had the time to devote to this appeal; additional time is required in order that the applicants' rights not be prejudiced.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein are true and that all statements made herein on my information and belief are true and further that I realize willful, false statements and the like so made herein are punishable by fine or imprisonment or both under 18 USC 1001 and further may jeopardize the validity and enforceability of any patent issued from this application.

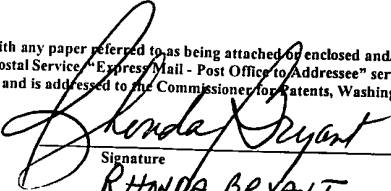
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